

**SALEM RECREATION COMMISSION
SALEM, CONNECTICUT
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 15, 2014**

Present

Pam Henry Bob Appleby
Dave Kennedy Al Giansanti
Doug Morrow (late arrival)
Sue Spang/Chairperson
Diane Weston/Recording Secretary

Absent

Jim Burke
Crispin Fresco-Hawes

Guests

Rich Fenner Paul Bureau

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Sue Spang called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

1. MINUTES:

M/S/C (Kennedy/Henry) to approve the November 17, 2014 minutes as presented.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT:

S. Spang reported the Recreation Commission bought the evergreen trees to decorate the window boxes at the Town Hall and Library.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT/GUESTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Rich Fenner reported on the Recreation Basketball program. Parents have been informed to watch their children that are in the gym during the program. Cold packs need to be ordered. There is no parent interest to coach a team to play with Montville. There are approximately 70 children for Recreation Basketball.

Discussion took place on the gym use for Sundays.

4. ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS

None

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Tree Lighting

The Holiday Tree Lighting was very nice this year. There was a good turnout of residents and children. The 8th grade "elves" did an excellent job serving hot chocolate, cider and munchkins. 300 munchkins, 3 boxes of hot chocolate, 2 gallons of cider, napkins, plates and 100 candy canes were purchased.

b. Budget Discussion

S. Spang reminded the Commission budget season will be here. BOF will request the Capital expenses in February. S. Spang stated an update for the resurfacing/maintenance for the tennis courts will be add for the 10 yr. plan.

c. Recreation Clerk Report

D. Weston reported after school art and Lego programs are planned for January. A motor coach trip is planned for a "Sleigh Ride in Vermont" in February. Please go to www.salemct.gov/recreation for more information.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Volunteer Park** – S. Spang reported a quote of \$12,500.00 was received for the fencing and guardrails for the parking lot. Other estimates will be researched. The BOF has agreed to let the Recreation Commission use leftover funds for Forsyth Road.
- b. **Baseball**-Paul Bureau reported SYBL voted to increase fees by 20% for the 2015 season. There is no new commissioner yet and no decisions have been made for procedures on background checks. S. Spang will submit to Paul the parameters that Recreation uses for their background checks. Baseball will have available gym time but if the time is needed by basketball, they will be bumped. Basketball has priority until February 14. Sundays are open right now. Babe Ruth will partner with East Lyme; they will no longer be with Tri-County. Discussion took place on field use and the 40% rule of Salem children on teams.
- c. **Soccer** – No report.
- d. **Basketball**- See 3. Public Comment/Guests/Correspondence
- e. **Tennis** – No report.
- f. **Multi-purpose Path** – No report.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion took place for the power/electric hook up for RHR.

S. Spang mentioned that the soccer team and other Salem standouts should be honored at a BOS meeting.

8. FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

- a. Tobacco Free Fields
- b. Discussion of Field Fees

9. ADJOURNMENT

M/S/C (Giansanti/Morrow) to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM. Vote: approved unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by
Diane Weston
Recording Secretary